

Addressing hard
questions to soft gluons



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*Working on a project with Pino
is like falling in love:
exciting, never boring
and with unpredictable results*

*20 papers
1600 citations*

The main theme - physics of soft gluon radiation

Virtual convergence

Hard Processes in Quantum Chromodynamics

[Yuri L. Dokshitzer](#), [Dmitri Diakonov](#), [S.I. Troian](#) (St. Petersburg, INP).

Phys.Rept. 58 (1980) 269-395

[Cited by 811 records](#)

indirect multiple soft gluon radiation effects

Jet Structure and Infrared Sensitive Quantities in Perturbative QCD

[A. Bassetto](#) (Trento), [M. Ciafaloni](#) (Florence & Pisa, Scuola Normale Superiore), [G. Marchesini](#) (Parma).

Phys.Rept. 100 (1983) 201-272

[Cited by 649 records](#)

direct manifestations in the final state structure

Real interaction

Measuring color flows in hard processes via hadronic correlations	1990
Dispersive approach to power behaved contributions in QCD hard processes	1995
Nonperturbative effects in the energy-energy correlation	1999
with Bryan . Then, a series of studies with/by Gavin, Gulia & Andrea	
On large angle multiple gluon radiation	2003
Hadron collisions and the fifth form-factor	2005
Soft gluons at large angles in hadron collisions	
Revisiting parton evolution and the large-x limit	2005
with Gavin	
N=4 SUSY Yang-Mills: three loops made simple(r)	2006

Wise Dispersive Method



CERN 1995-96

a “WOW”

PUZZLE

Hidden message from QCD Radiophysics

Quarks and gluons - QCD partons - involved in a hard interactions act as elements of a color antenna - a composite source of additional gluon radiation.

Soft gluon effects (accompanying radiation plus virtual corrections) to $2 \rightarrow 2$ hard parton scattering is rather involved as it does not reduce to combination of “color charges” of the participating partons

Especially true for **gluon–gluon** scattering.

Here one encounters 6 (5 for SU(3)) color channels that mix with each other under soft gluon radiation ...

A difficult quest of sorting out large angle gluon radiation in all orders in $(\alpha_s \log Q)^n$ was set up and solved by George Sterman and collaborators.

Our revision of this problem has revealed a strange (if not **mysterious**) feature ...

Puzzle of large angle Soft Gluon radiation

Soft anomalous dimension for gluon-gluon scattering

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \ln Q} M \propto \left\{ -N_c \ln \left(\frac{t u}{s^2} \right) \cdot \hat{\Gamma} \right\} \cdot M$$

6=3+3. Three eigenvalues are "simple".

Three "**ain't-so-simple**" ones were found to satisfy the cubic equation

$$\left[E_i - \frac{4}{3} \right]^3 - \frac{(1 + 3b^2)(1 + 3x^2)}{3} \left[E_i - \frac{4}{3} \right] - \frac{2(1 - 9b^2)(1 - 9x^2)}{27} = 0,$$

$$x = \frac{1}{N}, \quad b \equiv \frac{\ln(t/s) - \ln(u/s)}{\ln(t/s) + \ln(u/s)}$$

Mark the **mysterious symmetry** w.r.t. to $x \rightarrow b$

interchanging internal (**group rank**) and external (**scattering angle**) variables . . .

An open quest for "theoretical theory"

Our experience *may* help to resolve a still hanging
“**superlogs**” **mystery**

(Mike Seymour, Jeff Forshaw & Co)

Super-leading logarithms in non-global observables in QCD (2006)

Breakdown of QCD coherence?

On the Breaking of Collinear Factorization in QCD (2012)

the origin of the trouble : in high pQCD orders,
a Coulomb exchange btw incoming color charges
starts messing with scattering dynamics

G.M. & Y.D;
thought about, but not through;
unfinished and unpublished

The main hint:

Better be damn careful when trying to solve

1. an unphysical problem by means of
2. the standard scattering theory

(representing **<in|** and **|out>** states as plane waves, in the momentum space)

N=4 SUSY :
a
CLASSICAL QFT ?

an inviting heresy

*Let us see what sort of functions
the $N=4$ parton Hamiltonian is made of*

In spite of having many states ($s = 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1$), the SYM-4 parton dynamics is built of a single “universal” anomalous dimension:

$$\gamma_+(N+2) = \tilde{\gamma}_+(N+1) = \gamma_0(N) = \tilde{\gamma}_-(N-1) = \gamma_-(N-2) \equiv \gamma_{\text{uni}}(N)$$

$$\gamma_{\text{uni}}^{(1)}(N) = -S_1(N) = - \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x} (x^N - 1) \cdot \frac{x}{x-1} \equiv \mathbf{M} \left[\frac{x}{(1-x)_+} \right]$$

*This is nothing but (the Mellin image of)
the classical (LBK) gluon radiation spectrum !*

$$S_1(N) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k} = \psi(N+1) - \psi(1)$$

Euler Harmonic Sum

Beyond the 1st loop the answer is more complex.

New interesting functions show up



Euler -

- Zagier



harmonic sums

Euler-Zagier harmonic sums

- In higher orders enter $m > 1$

$$S_m(N) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{1}{k^m} = \frac{(-1)^m}{\Gamma(m)} \int_0^1 dx x^N \frac{\ln^{m-1} x}{1-x} + \zeta(m)$$

QCD and the “Basel problem” The **problem** posed in 1644 by Pietro Mengoli, solved by 28 year old Leonhard Euler in 1735.

Euler : look upon $\frac{\sin x}{x}$ as an **infinite degree** polynomial = **an infinite product of roots**

“... the other results of this chapter will be of similar nature: that is, correct but unproven”

$$\zeta_2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6} \equiv S_2(\infty) \quad \zeta_{2n} \equiv S_{2n}(\infty) \propto \pi^{2n}$$

more and more **transcendental** ...

Euler-Zagier harmonic sums

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● Starting from the 2nd loop,
one encounters also *negative indices*,

$$S_{-m}(N) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{(-1)^k}{k^m}$$

● multiple indices — *nested sums*

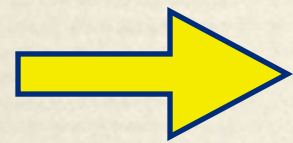
$$S_{m,\vec{\rho}}(N) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{S_{\vec{\rho}}(k)}{k^m} \quad (\vec{\rho} = (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_i))$$

“transcendentality” of a Harmonic Sum
= the sum of its indices

twist-2 anomalous dimension for N=4 SYM
Anatoly Kotikov - Lev Lipatov (2000)

$$\gamma_1 = -S_1$$

$$\gamma_2 = \frac{1}{2}S_3 + S_1S_2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}S_{-3} + S_1S_{-2} - S_{-2,1}\right)$$



Principle of
Maximal Transcendentality

hypothesis: sum of indices
= 2L-1

Compare parton Hamiltonians

N=4 SYM

1st loop : 1 symbol

2nd loop : 1 line

3rd loop : 1/2 page

Exploring another hidden symmetry - "Gribov-Lipatov reciprocity"

1 line

4 loops

5 loops

... ALL loops ?

QCD

1st loop : 1 line

2nd loop : 1 page

3rd loop : 200 pages

D-r & Marchesini (2006)

Beccaria & Fiorini (2009)

Romuald Janik & Co (2010+)

someone (one day)

why care ?

QCD and SUSY-QCD share the gluon sector !

Importantly, the maximal transcendentality (*clagon*) structures constitute **the bulk** of the QCD anomalous dimensions.

Employ $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM to simplify the essential part of the QCD dynamics

$\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM dynamics is **classical**, in (un)certain sense

No truly quantum effects are being seen

(look at the β -function and/or the anomalous dimension)

If this is true, the goal would be

to derive a **one-line-all-orders** expression for γ from $\gamma^{(1)}$ in $\mathcal{N}=4$ SYM
and then to export it into QCD,
to cover “90%” of the small-distance parton dynamics

